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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
Toshiaki HASEGAWA : Group Art Unit: 3743  
Serial No: 10/049,695 : Examiner: James Barrow  
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For: **DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FEEDING FUEL**

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to an Office Action of July 24, 2003, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the claims of Group II, i.e., Figures 1B, 5B, 6, 7, 17 and 19 without prejudice.

In the aforementioned Office Action, the Examiner included Figures 18, 24, 25 and 26 in Group III and Figure 23 in Group IV. It is respectfully submitted that each of the aforementioned Figures should be included in Group II. As shown in Figure 18, the mixing area (15) is located between the cooling means and the heating means.

However, the mixing area (15) is located between the combustion area (1) and the heating means (14) in the arrangement shown in Figure 18. This is the arrangement of Group II. Therefore, Figure 18 should be considered to be in Group II. Furthermore, Figures 23-26 should be considered in Group II because the units 10A, 10B, 30A and 30B as shown therein are those indicated in Figures 1(B) and 17. Accordingly, claims of Group II should include claims 1-3, 5-11, 13-16 and 19-41.